

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled).

2. (Currently amended) Device[[,]] for receiving ceramic heating elements (PTC elements, ~~cold conductors~~) in a heating device, having an insulating frame and at least one contact plate held in said insulating frame and on which can be placed the heating PTC elements, wherein the contact plate is ~~fractionally held~~ molded in the frame ~~so that the contact plate cannot be drawn out of the frame without damaging the frame, and wherein, over most of its length, the contact plate is held in grooves of the frame formed in longitudinal struts.~~

3. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 2, wherein, at least in a limited longitudinal portion of the frame, the contact plate is completely and tightly surrounded by the same.

4. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 2, wherein the contact plate is additionally positively held in frame.

5. (Currently amended) Device ~~for receiving ceramic heating elements (PTC elements, cold conductors) in a heating device, having an insulating frame and at least~~

~~one contact plate held in said insulating frame and on which can be placed the heating elements, wherein the contact plate and frame are frictionally connected~~according to claim 2, wherein on one side of the contact plate, the frame has crossbars between which the heating PTC elements can be inserted.

6. (Currently amended) ~~Device according to claim 2~~ for receiving PTC elements in a heating device, having an insulating frame and at least one contact plate held in said insulating frame and on which can be placed the PTC elements, wherein the contact plate is frictionally held in the frame so that the contact plate cannot be drawn out of the frame without damaging the frame, and wherein, over most of its length, the contact plate is held in grooves of the frame formed in longitudinal struts, wherein the longitudinal struts surround recesses for receiving the heating PTC elements and the frame includes crossbars constructed as inwardly directed studs for the positive retention of the heating PTC elements.

7. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 2, wherein bulges, projecting over the narrow side, are constructed on the frame for the non-positive fixing of the frame in a profile tube.

8. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 2, wherein the contact plate projects over the frame at least on one front side.

9. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 5, wherein the contact plate

projects over the frame at least on one front side.

10. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 8, wherein the projecting end or ends of the contact plate are constructed as terminal lugs.

11. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 2, wherein the frame is made from at least one material selected from the group consisting of plastic, polymer ceramic, and moulded-on ceramic.

12. (Currently amended) Device according to claim 11, wherein on a side of the contact plate remote from a reception side for the heating PTC elements, the frame is completely closed and consequently the contact plate is provided with a covering completely covering the same.

13. (Currently amended) Device according to claim 11, wherein on its side remote from the reception side for the heating PTC elements, the contact plate is covered by a polymer ceramic or ceramic cover layer, whilst the rest of the frame is made from plastic or polymer ceramic.

14. (canceled).

15. (Currently amended) Device for receiving ~~ceramic heating elements (PTC elements, cold conductors)~~ in a heating device, having a contact plate and holding

elements for holding the heating PTC elements to prevent slipping on the contact plate, wherein ~~an~~ a molded or sprayed on insulating layer is ~~applied by spraying or molding~~ arranged adhesively to a side of the contact plate remote from the reception side for the heating PTC elements, ~~and wherein the holding elements are formed by projections pressed out of the plane of the contact plate.~~

16. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 15, wherein the holding elements are formed by an insulating frame.

17. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 15, wherein the insulating layer is made from at least one material selected from the group consisting of plastic, polymer ceramic, and moulded-on ceramic.

18. (Previously presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein the frame is made from at least one material selected from the group consisting of plastic, polymer ceramic, and moulded-on ceramic.

19. (Currently amended) Device according to claim 16, wherein the side of the contact plate remote from the reception side for the heating PTC elements is covered by a polymer ceramic or ceramic cover layer, whilst the rest of the frame is made from plastic or polymer ceramic.

20. (Canceled).

21. (Previously presented) Heating device with an electrically conductive profile tube, and a holding device inserted into the same accompanied by the reception of ceramic heating elements in recesses between longitudinal struts and crossbars and accompanied by the provision of an insulating strip on the side of the contact plate remote from the heating elements, the holding device having an insulating frame and at least one contact plate held in said insulating frame and on which can be placed the heating elements, wherein the contact plate is fractionally held in the frame so that the contact plate cannot be drawn out of the frame without damaging the frame.

22. (Previously presented) Radiator having several heating devices held in parallel and in spaced manner by retaining webs, in accordance with claim 21.

23-28. (canceled).

29. (New) Device according to claim 2, wherein, over most of its length, the contact plate is held in grooves of the frame formed in longitudinal struts.

30. (New) Device according to claim 15, wherein the holding elements are formed by projections pressed out of the plane of the contact plate.